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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR § 1.136(a)

It is respectfully requested that the time for response to the Office Action dated September 26, 2003 be extended for a period of three (3) months from October 26, 2003 up to and including January 26, 2004.

The fee for this extension is estimated to be \$950.00. Please charge the required fee to Pennie & Edmonds LLP Deposit Account No. 16-1150. A copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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